SPRING FORWARD EXPO *Projects affecting your future*

Bellevue is experiencing a period of rapid growth – and change. There's new construction downtown, recommendations to gradually, but dramatically alter the Bel-Red corridor, the possible extension of a light rail line through Bellevue, and many, many other projects on the horizon.

Hard to keep track of? You bet. Need more information, but don't have much time to study the issues? That's one reason we're pulling together information and experts on more than 40 projects in Bellevue for a **SPRING FORWARD EXPO:** ***Projects Affecting Your Future***.

Projects all under one roof for your convenience, so stop by to talk one-on-one with city staff, ask questions and give us your comments. After all, there's a good chance at least one of the projects will affect your future.

Please join us!

Thursday, May 15, 2008
4:00 – 6:30 p.m.
Bellevue City Hall,
1st Floor Concourse
450 110th Avenue Northeast
(See last page of flyer for parking information)

Refreshments will be served.

What are a few of the highlights of the Expo? This *Spring Forward Expo* is an excellent opportunity to find out more about the **Bel-Red project**. To let us know what you think about the draft plan and development regulations, please submit your comments at the Expo or at an upcoming public hearing tentatively scheduled for May 28. The Planning Commission will be taking public comments on the plan before making recommendations to the City Council this summer.

In addition to the Bel-Red project, there will be information on an effort to update the Bel-Red Overlake Transportation Study (BROTS), an interlocal agreement with the City of Redmond that provides for land-use coordination and funding transportation improvements in the area along the boundary between the two cities.

Since July 2007, the **Light Rail Best Practices** Committee has been learning about light rail systems in North America and soliciting comments from the community on what practices could be applied in Bellevue. At the Expo, the public can weigh in on a draft report with recommended best practices. The report will be sent to the City Council in June. In addition, the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in July on proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments and make their recommendation to the City Council.

For **downtown Bellevue,** there are several projects in the planning and design phase, including new **bike lanes**, work on **Great Streets** concepts, adding **Mid-block Crossings** at select locations**, NE 6th Street Extension,** and **NE 8th Street Widening** to name a few**.** Alternative modes of transportation are also being discussed, such as a **Downtown Circulator**, Metro's **RapidRide** project and the **Growth Transportation and Efficiency Center.** A new program called **Choose Your Way Bellevue** is designed to help commuters get around more efficiently and help ease congestion.

Expo attendees can check out displays on some of the larger neighborhood projects, including **145th Avenue SE**, **Northup Way, Bretton Wood/Tam O'Shanter,** the **2008 Street Overlay Program**, and **West Lake Sammamish Parkway.**

For almost a year, we've been updating the 1999 **Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Plan.** This will be one of the last opportunities to comment.

If you enjoy parks – and who doesn't – you may be interested in the latest plans for the **Boeing/Eastgate Property**, **Meydenbauer Bay,** or **Surrey Downs.**

Do you use **I-405** frequently? The State Department of Transportation will be on hand to answer questions about the **I-405**, **NE 10th Street** bridge project, the **I-405 South Bellevue Widening** project, including demolition of the Wilburton Tunnel this summer.

And if you enjoy the prioritizing and financing aspects of large, long-range projects, you'll want to be a part of selecting improvements through **2007-2013 Capital Investment Programs** of both the Utilities and Transportation departments.

A complete list of projects, plans, or programs to be featured at 'Spring Forward Expo' The following list has been categorized geographically. If a project has a current website, the link has been provided.

Citywide

- **2008 Street Overlay Program**
- **Commute Trip Reduction Plan**; Transportation Demand Management program
- **Choose Your Way Bellevue:** www.chooseyourwaybellevue.org/
- **Light Rail Best Practices**: www.bellevuewa.gov/light_rail_best_practices_info.htm
- **Neighborhood Sidewalk Program**
- **Pedestrian/Bicycle Plan Update:** www.bellevuewa.gov/pedbikeplan.htm
- **Transportation Facilities Plan**: www.bellevuewa.gov/5602.htm
- **Capital Investment Program Plans** (Utility and Transportation departments): www.bellevuewa.gov/CIP.htm
- **RapidRide (King County Metro)**
- **Information on possible parks and open space voter initiative for 2008**

North of Main Street

- **Aquatic Center Feasibility Study**
- **Bel-Red Overlake Transportation Study**
- **Bel-Red Subarea Plan and Land Use Code Update:** www.bellevuewa.gov/bel-red_intro.htm

- **Bretton Wood/Tam O'Shanter Sidewalks**
- **Bel-Red Overlake Transportation Study (BROTS) Update**
- **Crossroads Water Play Area:** www.bellevuewa.gov/crossroads_water_play_area.htm
- **Highland Skate Park**
- **Northup Way Corridor Design Report:** www.bellevuewa.gov/northup_improvements.htm
- **Northup Way: 120th Avenue NE to 124th Avenue NE**

South of Main Street

- **145th Avenue SE: SE 24th Street & SE 22nd Street Sidewalks**
- **148th Avenue SE Signals**
- **Boeing/Eastgate Property Master Plan**
- **Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center:** www.bellevuewa.gov/mseec.htm
- **Surrey Downs Master Plan:** www.bellevuewa.gov/surrey_downs_master_plan.htm
- **West Lake Sammamish Parkway:** www.bellevuewa.gov/west_lk_samm_prkwy.htm

Downtown Core

www.bellevuewa.gov/downtown_planning.htm

- **106th/108th Avenue NE Couplet Pre-Design Analysis**
- **Ashwood Plaza**
- **Bellevue Downtown Association:** www.bellevuedowntown.org/index.html
- **Downtown Circulator – Service Planning:** www.bellevuewa.gov/downtown_circulator_study.htm
- **Downtown Commercial Development:** www.bellevuewa.gov/development_activity.htm
- **Downtown Mid-block Crossings**
- **Downtown Wayfinding**
- **Great Streets Concepts:** www.bellevuewa.gov/great_streets.htm
- **Growth & Transportation Efficiency Center (GTEC):** www.bellevuewa.gov/gtec.htm
- **Main Street Urban Design**
- **Meydenbauer Bay Project and Land Use Plan**: www.bellevuewa.gov/meydenbauer_project_intro.htm
- **NE 2nd Street: Bellevue Way to 112th Avenue NE, Pre-Design Analysis**
- **NE 4th Street Extension**
- **NE 6th Street Extension and Pedestrian Corridor**
- **NE 8 Street Widening: 106-108th Avenue NE**
- **NE 8th Street: Lake Washington Blvd. to 96th Avenue NE**

Freeway/Regional

- **I-405 South Bellevue Widening Project: SE 8th Street to 112th Avenue SE:** www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/i405/112thAvetoSE8th/
- **I-405: Northbound NE 8th Street to SR 520 Braided Crossing – Preliminary Design:**
- **NE 10th Street Bridge Project:**
- **Sound Transit East Link:**

Other web addresses

- **City of Bellevue:** www.bellevuewa.gov
- **Projects in Your Neighborhood:** www.bellevuewa.gov/trans_projects_map.htm

Questions or Comments: If you have questions or comments about this ***Spring Forward Expo***, please call Tresa Berg, public involvement manager, at 425-452-4638 or Tberg@bellevuewa.gov

Directions to City Hall: City Hall is conveniently located at 450 110th Ave. NE, near the NE 6th Street Transit Center and I-405. If you are walking, the pedestrian entrance (plaza) is located on 110th Avenue.

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Symetra Building, 777 108th Ave. NE;
Meydenbauer Center, 11100 NE 6th St.;
Skyline Tower, 10900 NE 4th St.

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